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**Subject:** RE: Urgent Fire Drill - Animas River, Colorado

Wendy,

Dave Ostrander is the head of our emergency response group. Dave is the best person to respond to your questions or he will identify the best person to respond.

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**From:** Reid, Wendy  
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**Subject:** Urgent Fire Drill - Animas River, Colorado

Hi Sandra and Karl,

I'm Acting Branch Chief for the Monitoring Branch today, and I just received a request from Ken Kopocis and Ellen Gilinsky. Regarding the Gold King Mine spill into the Animas River, near Durango, CO, they want to know what our capabilities are to assist in assessing, modeling, and understanding the impacts of the spill, and the extent to which Region 8 may already have effectively involved water monitoring experts?

I appreciate your help and quick response.

Thanks!

Wendy Reid

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